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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated January 2, 2003, kindly amend the
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Cancel without prejudice Claim 6.

Amend Claims 9, 14, 17, 18 and 19 as indicated upon the pages affixed
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